

Charlie and Todd went to the park to play. It was down the street from where they lived. The park was big and had a lot of swings. It was in the center of town with a lot of office buildings around it. People liked to eat their lunch there in warm weather. They had picnic tables that people could sit at.

Charlie and Todd rode their bikes to the park. When they got there they parked them under a tree. No one would bother them there. They always parked their bikes under the trees. Then they went to the see-saw. They went up and down, up and down. Each boy tried to push off higher than the other.

Then the boys went to the fountain. They liked to splash water on each other. Charlie sat on the edge. He almost fell in! Then he saw something strange in the fountain. He reached into the water and pulled out a bag. It was made of plastic. Charlie opened the bag and pulled out some money. Charlie and his friend looked at it. It was a one-hundred-dollar bill! "Oh, boy! Oh, boy!" cried the boys.

They raced home. They showed the money to their parents. Their parents called the police. Maybe the money was stolen, thought Charlie. That would be exciting. The police took the money. They said they would call if someone claimed it.

After four weeks, no one had claimed the money. The police called and said the money was Charlie's. Charlie was so excited that he jumped up and down. He called Todd. "I will give you half of the money," said Charlie. "Great!" said Todd. "Thanks a lot!"

Charlie had a hard time falling asleep that night. He wondered how he would spend the money. Maybe he would buy a new bike. Maybe he would go to the movies ten times. He could even buy

popcorn for his whole class. Then Charlie had an idea. He would save the money to take with him to summer camp. He could use the money to buy postcards or neat things in the mountains.

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